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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Onyx Specialty Papers, Inc

Project No. 2985-008
Massachusetts

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC's) regulations, 18 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 Federal Register 47897), Commission staff has reviewed the Onyx Specialty Papers, Inc.'s application for surrender of project license for the Willow Mill Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 2985) and has prepared an environmental assessment (EA). The project is located on the Housatonic River, in the Town of Lee, Berkshire County, Massachusetts.

The EA contains the Commission staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the proposed surrender of license and concludes that the proposal would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room 2-A of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The EA also may be viewed on the Commission's Internet website at (www.ferc.gov) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's website using the eLibrary link. For assistance with eLibrary, contact FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208-3676; for TTY contact (202) 502-8659.

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